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Guatemalan General Staff announced late Sunday that army had crushed insurrection in Baja Verapaz. In early hours Sunday morning rebels seized government officials and buildings in Salama and San Jeronimo, cut communication lines and blocked roads. Troops from Coban recaptured Salama at 6 p.m. Sunday after brief struggle and were reported in pursuit of remaining rebel forces. Announcement said situation completely controlled by government with peace reigning in rest of Republic.

Press states leadership of uprising not yet identified.

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